

# PROMISES KEPT Report to the City Board

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# LATEST LR CENT PROJECT



Crump Park Splash Pad Opened August 28, 2021





# Revenue Provided by 1 Cent Sales Tax

### City of Little Rock 1-Cent Sales Tax Receipts (2012 Tax)

			2021 Tax Receipts		Prior Year Tax Receipts				
_	Month	For Sales in	5/8 Cent	3/8 Cent	New Tax	5/8 Cent	3/8 Cent	New Tax	%
	Collected	the Month of	Operating	Capital	Proceeds	Operating	Capital	Proceeds	Inc (Dec)
1	March	January	2,853,396	1,712,037	4,565,433	2,629,262	1,577,557	4,206,819	8.52%
2	April	February	2,665,403	1,599,242	4,264,644	2,597,519	1,558,512	4,156,031	2.61%
3	May	March	3,380,310	2,028,186	5,408,496	2,671,786	1,603,071	4,274,857	26.52%
4	June	April	3,232,317	1,939,390	5,171,707	2,845,057	1,707,034	4,552,091	13.61%
5	July	May	3,236,572	1,941,943	5,178,515	2,619,076	1,571,446	4,190,522	23.58%
6	YTE	) Total	\$15,367,997	\$9,220,798	\$24,588,795	\$13,362,700	\$8,017,620	\$21,380,320	15.01%

		For Sales in the Month of	5/8 Cent Operating	3/8 Cent Capital	New Tax Proceeds	5/8 Cent Operating	3/8 Cent Capital	New Tax Proceeds	% Inc (Dec)
7	2012 7	Total	28,992,457	17,449,867	46,442,324	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
8	2013 7	Total	29,220,016	17,573,702	46,793,718	28,992,457	17,449,867	46,442,324	0.76%
9	2014 7	Total	29,608,840	17,849,353	47,458,193	29,220,016	17,573,702	46,793,718	1.42%
10	2015 7	Total	30,773,111	18,430,387	49,203,498	29,608,840	17,849,353	47,458,193	3.68%
11	2016 7	Total	30,789,996	18,473,997	49,263,993	30,773,111	18,430,387	49,203,498	0.12%
12	2017 1	Total	31,366,925	18,820,155	50,187,081	30,789,996	18,473,997	49,263,993	1.87%
13	2018 7	Total	31,678,593	19,007,156	50,685,748	31,366,925	18,820,155	50,187,081	0.99%
14	2019 7	Total	33,967,300	20,380,380	54,347,679	31,678,593	19,007,156	50,685,748	7.22%
15	2020 1	Total	33,592,828	20,155,697	53,748,525	33,967,300	20,380,380	54,347,679	-1.10%
16	2012 -	2020	\$279,990,066	\$168,140,694	\$448,130,760				
17 Grand Total - Life to Date		\$295,358,062	\$177,361,492	\$472,719,554					



### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

The City purchased the McFadden Building at 615 W. Markham Street for

\$956,000 to serve as Police headquarters.

Interior demolition has taken place and construction is underway.





### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

57 Police recruits have graduated in the past two years. 21 (January 2020), 13 (July 2020), 12 (January 2021), and 11 (July 2021)

Recruit class #99, with 14 members, started August 16 and will graduate in

February 2022.

 Recruiting and testing for Class #100 began in June 2021 and currently remains in progress.





### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

12th Street Station – Opened in September 2014



Pankey Center – Opened in November 2016





### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Fire Station #24 opened in February 2020.

Located at 8801 Stagecoach Road, it serves a portion of Southwest Little Rock. Ground was broken in October 2018 for this project, which was funded by the LR CENT Sales Tax approved by voters in 2011.





### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

Fire Station #23 opened in December 2012.

Located at 4500 Rahling Road, it serves West Little Rock.





### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### Fire Department

 In 2020 and 2021, a total of 50 firefighter recruits graduated. 21 in 2020 and 29 in 2021.

### **Communications Staffing:**

 On July 16, 8 trainees graduated from the academy and on July 17, began their on the job training at the call taker positions.



### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Geyer Springs Railroad Overpass

Dedicated in December 2020.





### PUBLIC WORKS

### <u>Sidewalks</u>

- •Currently, the in-house Sidewalk Program crew has completed 254,596 square feet (approximately 50,919 linear feet) of new sidewalks since July 2012.
- •Sidewalk constructed by contractor with Sidewalk Program funds totals 227,629 square feet (45555 linear feet) since September 2015.
- •Total of 18.2 miles of sidewalk reconstruction



### **PUBLIC WORKS**

# **Street Resurfacing**

In the 10 years of the program, a total of 360,992 linear feet, which equals to 68.4 miles of streets, have been resurfaced.





### **PUBLIC WORKS**

### Street, drainage, reconstruction, and traffic signalization

2013 to 2015 - A total of \$ 70,925,000 was allocated for projects in all Wards. This represented 105 projects.

2016 to 2018 -- A total of \$18,430,000 was allocated for projects in all Wards. This represented 43 projects.

2019 to 2021 – A total of \$55,700,000 was allocated for projects in all Wards. This represents 74 projects.

All total, there have been 222 projects. Of those, 50 have not yet been completed, but all of them are underway.



### **PUBLIC WORKS**

### Street, drainage, reconstruction, and traffic signalization

Total Budgeted Expenditures for All Projects

Ward 1	\$21,160,000
Ward 2	\$20,700,000
Ward 3	\$20,970,000
Ward 4	\$20,840,000
Ward 5	\$20,220,000
Ward 6	\$19,715,000
Ward 7	\$21,450,000
TOTAL	\$145.055.000



### PARKS & RECREATION

# Kanis Park Pickleball Courts: \$150,000

6 New Pickleball Courts with Fencing and Walkway





### PARKS & RECREATION

# MacArthur Park Multipurpose Court: \$136,000

New Multipurpose Court with Lighting, Bleachers, and Bike Racks





### PARKS & RECREATION

# Allsopp Park Trail: \$60,000

New Concrete and Asphalt trail from Allsopp Promenade to softball field, restroom, and pavilion.

Funds were combined from a grant from ARDOT.





### PARKS & RECREATION

# River Mountain and Two Rivers Parks Mountain Bike Trails: \$50,000

- Additional \$650,000 in funding of projects through grants from the Arkansas Parks and Recreation Foundation.
- New mountain bike trail system containing a total of 10 miles of trails with green, blue, and black ratings at River Mountain Park.





### PARKS & RECREATION

### **New and Rehabbed Community Centers**





PLUS Improvements at Dunbar Recreation Center, Jim Dailey Fitness and Aquatic Center, and Southwest Community Center



### PARKS & RECREATION

### Parks Improvements and Trails

Allsopp Park Prospect Terrace Park

Boyle Park Rebsamen Golf Course

Brodie Creek Rebsamen Tennis Center

Crump Park Reservoir Park

Hindman Park River Mountain Trail

Kanis Park Thom Park

MacArthur Park Two Rivers Park

Murray Park Union Park

Natural Steps Ball Complex War Memorial Park

Ottenheimer Park Western Hills Park

Otter Creek Park

PLUS improvements and signage throughout the entire Parks system



### ZOO

# Colobus/Serval Habitat: \$1,300,000

Celebrated the opening of the new Colobus/Serval habitat April 16th, 2021.







### ZOO

# **Zoo Education Classrooms \$120,000**

Three modular education buildings to serve the rapidly growing camp programs, afterschool programs, birthday parties, and other zoo rentals.

Cost includes buildings, infrastructure, and interior buildout.





ZOO

# **Animal Habitats**









### **Zoo Improvements**

Amphitheater Animal Holding Upgrades

Antegter and Maned Wolf Habitats

Arkansas Diamond Express Train tracks

Arkansas Heritage Farm

**Bush Dog and Otter Habitats** 

Camel Habitat

Chimp Habitat

Colobus Monkey and Serval Habitats

Fair Park Roundabout Sculpture

Fencing Upgrades

Grand Plaza Expansion and Upgrades

Great Ape Habitat Upgrades

Greenhouse Construction

Lemur Fence Project

**Lion Habitat** 

New Walk-in Fish Freezer for Penguin food

Pathways

Point of Sale System

Reticulated Python Habitat

Ringtail Habitat

**Roof Replacements** 

Safety Barriers

Tiger Habitat

Train Pit for Maintenance

Veterinarian Hospital X-Ray Equipment

West Primate Habitats



### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

LRIT is currently working with Dell/EMC to install additional storage for the City's Active-Active system. This system supports applications and enduser data for all City Departments.

The project, which totals \$376,558.42 plus shipping, taxes, and fees, was purchased with funds from both the 3/8 Cent Capital Expenditure and the LRIT Special Projects accounts.



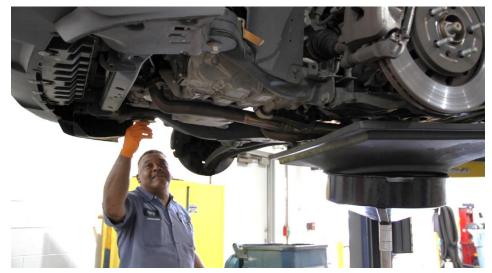


### **FLEET SERVICES**

In 2020 and 2021, Fleet Services has purchased \$1,772,883 in vehicles.

### These have been for

- Fire
- Fleet Services
- Police
- Public Works





### **FLEET SERVICES**

Since 2012, \$15,440,018 has been spent by Fleet Services on 278 vehicles

and 67 pieces of equipment.

DEPT.	NUMBER	COST	
Fire	21	6,998,672	
Fleet	16	447,890	
Housing	52	1,078,724	
Parks	72	2,217,809	
Planning	16	316,667	
Police	130	3,103,596	
Public Works	28	1,095,992	
Zoo	10	180,668	
	345	15,440,018	







### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

### Re-Entry Program

- Despite the restrictions with COVID-19, there have been 170 Little Rock residents who have met with City Hall staff between January 1, 2020, and July 31, 2021.
- Since 2012, more than 2,000 Little Rock residents have been assisted by Community Programs re-entry efforts.



# 10 Years of Promises Kept

